7:07:24 PM Township of Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners

Public Meeting

March 6, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

Deptford Township Fire Administration Building

MINUTES

# Opening by Chairman:

The regular monthly public meeting of the Deptford Township Fire District #1 Board of Fire Commissioners will be called to order at the Fire Administration Office, 1370 Delsea Drive, at 7:00pm. Adequate notice of this regular meeting has been provided by posting the notice in the entrance of the Fire Administration Building on March 4, 2024 and as previously published it the following newspapers designated by the Board of Fire Commissioners: South Jersey Times and Courier Post.

# Pledge of Allegiance

# Invocation

Please remain standing for a moment of silent prayer remembering those firefighters who are sick, and those who have deceased. And remembering the anniversary of Jeff Pfeiffer and Robert Shisler

# 7:08:30 PM Roll call of Commissioners/Officials in Attendance

# Chairman Michael White, Treasurer Raymond MacKay, Secretary George Frank, Commissioner Robert Sheairs and Commissioner Robert Hill. Also, in attendance Solicitor Peter Frattarelli and Administrative Clerk Donna Scally

# Approval of Minutes. Motion to accept minutes as written by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay

# 7:08:50 PM Reorganization: Election Results read by Clerk of Elections

* **Swearing in of re-elected Commissioners by Michael White, Raymond MacKay and Robert Sheairs.**
* **Nominations for Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary**
	+ Chairman, Motion for Michael White; motioned by George Frank, seconded by Robert Sheairs
	+ Treasurer, Motion for Raymond MacKay; motioned by Robert Sheairs, seconded by Michael White
	+ Secretary, Motion for George Frank; motioned by Raymond MacKay, seconded by Michael White

# 7:11:06 PM Public Portion (Agenda-related)

This Public Portion is open to the Public for any comments or questions on specific items listed on the Agenda only. Motion to open public portion (agenda related) by Chairman White, seconded by George Frank

Motion to close by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs

# Resolutions:

1. Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Peter Frattarelli from the Law Firm of Archer And Greiner P.C. as the Authorized Provider of Legal Services for the Deptford Township Board of Fire Commissioners. (2024-04). Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by George Frank
2. Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of South Jersey Federal Credit Union and Republic Bank as the Authorized Providers of Banking Services (2024-05) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay
3. Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of Holt McNally and Associates as the Official Auditor for the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners. (2024-06) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs
4. Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of American Work Care as the Authorized Medical Services Provider for the Deptford Township Board of Fire Commissioners. (2024-07) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay
5. Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of the Nottingham Insurance as the Authorized Provider of Insurance Services for the Deptford Township Board of Fire Commissioners. (2024-08) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay
6. Resolution Authorizing the Appointment of the South Jersey Times and Courier Post, as the Official Newspapers of the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners and as the Authorized Providers of Newspaper Services for the Deptford Township Board of Fire Commissioners. (2024-09) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by George Frank
7. Resolution Establishing the Meeting Nights of the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners. (2024-10) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs
8. Resolution Establishing a Cash Management Plan for the Deptford Board of Fire Commissioners. (2024-11) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by RM
9. Resolution Certifying the Budget for 2024. (2024-12) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay
10. Resolution Appointing Donna Scally as Clerk of Election for 2024 (2024-13) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs
11. Resolution Approving Employment Agreement of Administrative Secretary/Official Clerk (2024-14) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs
12. Resolution Approving Employment Agreement of Clerk Typist (2024-15) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay
13. Resolution for the Appointment of Fire Officers for Battalion 1 for One-Year Term (2024-17) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by George Frank
14. Resolution for the Appointment of Fire Officers for Battalion 2 for One-Year Term (2024-18) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by George Frank
15. Resolution for the Appointment of Fire Officers for Battalion 3 for One-Year Term (2024-19) Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by George Frank

## Swearing in of Line Officers (Lieutenant’s) for Battalion 2 and 3. Sworn in by Chief Rick Thomas.

## Presentation of watch to James Osborne for his retirement effective March 1, 2024. Thanked him for his service and dedication to the Fire Department.

# 7:16:19 PM Chairman’s Agenda Items:

## Thanked everyone for voting and for supporting the budget

## Thanked Jim Osborne for his years of service with the department

# Commissioner’s Agenda Items:

##  Raymond MacKay also thanked Jim Osborne for his service

# Solicitor’s Agenda Items:

# 7:17:28 PM Reports:

## 1. Fire Marshal Report – read by Chairman White

## 2. Battalion Chief’s Report

## - Police Department asked Fire Department to fly flag on Sunday, March 10 at 10am

## 3. Safety Report (attached – submitted by Robert V. Hill)

## 4. Training Report (attached – submitted by Constantine Sypsomos)

# 7:19:17 PM Treasurer’s Report. Given by Raymond MacKay. Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by George Frank

# 7:20:27 PM Resolution for Approval of Bills and Vouchers:

For payment ratification, including those items purchased under state Contract and identified as such and all trust and other accounts. (2024-16). Motion to adopt by Chairman White seconded by Raymond MacKay

# 7:21:38 PM Public Portion:

This Public Portion is open to the Public for any general comments or questions on all matters related to the Fire District. Motion to open public portion by Chairman White, seconded by George Frank

* Chief Rick Thomas – Communication Solutions did a piece on women’s history in fire service – ABC aired it on news last night

Motion to close by Chairman White, seconded by Robert Sheairs

# New Business

# 7:22:57 PM Resolution for Commissioners to Convene in Executive Session. Motion to adopt by Chairman White, seconded by Raymond MacKay

# Executive Session (Commissioners)

# Return to Public Session

# Adjourn Meeting at 8:15pm

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